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## BUSINESS MEETING HELD BY CITIZENS

THREE LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS ORGANIZED THURSDAY EVE.

WILL WORK FOR BETTER HIGHWAYS

Delegates from Each Organization Will Go to Nashville to Convention.

A local Jackson Memorial Highway Association and Lowndes County Good Roads Association and a Lowndes County Automobile Association were organized by the business men of Columbus at a meeting held at the Chamber of Commerce Thursday night. Mr. P. W. Maer was named president of the Highway Association, and Mr. I. L. Kaufman, as secretary. Mr. Jesse P. Woodward was selected as president and Mr. Louis Walker, secretary, of the Automobile Association. Mr. F. R. Simms was elected president of the Good Roads Association, of which Mr. Ike Winston was named as secretary. The meeting was presided over by Dr. J. W. Lipscomb, president of the Chamber of Commerce and Mr. W. H. Carter, acted as secretary.

The meeting of the Jackson Highway Association, which is to be held in Nashville next Thursday and Friday, was discussed and it was decided that delegates from each of the three newly organized associations would be sent to represent this county.

## HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE

GIST OF THE NEWS FROM OVER THE COUNTRY GIVEN IN A BRIEF FORM

Two hundred and six pupils are attending the high school at Franklin Academy this session compared to one hundred and seventy five at this time last session.

Next Thursday is the first of Autumn.

Fifty boosters from Columbus are expected to attend the meeting of the Jackson Highway Association in Nashville, next Thursday and Friday.

According to a recent government report, Lowndes county ginned 22 bales of cotton up until September 15, 1915, compared to 34 bales to the same time in 1914.

President Lynn H. Dinkins, of the Interstate Bank and Trust Company, has issued a summary of cotton crop production in the South this year, placing the total at 12,170,000, and giving Mississippi a yield of 1,100,000 bales.

Morton, the former Columbus pitcher, won another game for Cleveland Friday, by a score of 7 to 6, in a game with Philadelphia.

Maccabees Enjoy Smoker. About eighty members of the order of Maccabees enjoyed a social and business meeting held at their lodge room on South Market street Thursday evening.

The degrees were put on in full regalia, and the seven new members initiated were: Messrs. M. E. White, Olin Storey, P. M. White, G. D. Wood, Lester Brown, Leslie Ratcliffe and Newman Aldridge.

Mr. M. W. Sharp, of Eupora, was among the visitors present and assisted in conferring the degrees. Several interesting talks were made by local members.

After the business session a banquet was much enjoyed.

Mr. M. W. Sharp, of Eupora, a former Columbian, has been visiting friends and relatives in Lowndes county for the past several days.

Writes Much Insurance.

Mr. F. R. Simms, general agent for the State Life Insurance Company, wrote the largest number of applicants and the largest amount of insurance during August than any other representative of his company in the United States.

A recent issue of the State Life Bulletin, an insurance magazine published at Indianapolis, Ind., pays to Mr. Simms quite a compliment, and on the front page of the Bulletin there appears a large picture of him.

Every shade of corduroy, the latest and most stylish material for skirts and suits, at Lipsey & Chaousky.

## CHARLES R. SMITH SEEKING RELEASE

WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS TO BE HEARD SOON IN MERIDIAN.

SAYS HE IS NOW PERFECTLY SANE

Recalls the Killing of E. A. Laurent at Artesia Several Years Ago.

Meridian, Miss., Sept. 17.—Chas. R. Smith, a wealthy inmate of the East Mississippi Insane Asylum, sought his release yesterday through habeas corpus proceedings in the circuit court of Lauderdale county. Three men, Dr. W. D. Partlow, connected with the Alabama Insane Hospital at Tuscaloosa, Dr. G. A. Lehmberg, and Mr. G. W. Bush, of Artesia, gave opinions to the effect that Smith is entirely sane. Other witnesses will testify to the same thing. The hearing will be completed next Wednesday.

Smith shot and killed E. A. Laurent, a Nashville traveling man, at the depot at Artesia, five years ago. It was alleged that Smith was laboring under a hallucination about the conduct of Laurent towards Smith's daughter. Smith was defended by S. A. Witherspoon, of this city, before the latter was elected to congress. He was given a life sentence in the penitentiary.

Smith had pleaded insanity in the Lowndes county court, and upon the plea a successful effort was made to place him in the insane asylum at this place. Governor Brewer issued a pardon to him, in which it was made a condition that Smith must remain in the asylum the balance of his life. According to the lawyers this presented the anomaly of a man being pardoned from the penitentiary, but being condemned to the asylum.

Recently Gov. Brewer granted a full pardon to Smith. Since being brought to the asylum Smith has served as storekeeper for the institution.

Until her marriage, his daughter, Miss Estelle Smith, visited her father twice a month, and has visited him several times since her marriage to Saunders Wilbourne, a lawyer of Winona. Just recently Mr. Smith has become a grandfather.

The writ of habeas corpus was sued out through Jacobson and Brooks. It is understood that Dr. M. Buchanan will not make any fight in the matter out will leave it entirely to the court.

Modern Woodmen Meet.

Columbus Tent, No. 15916, of the Modern Woodmen of America, met Friday night, September 17th, in Woodmen's Hall in regular monthly session with a good attendance.

Mr. W. A. Walton was elected Venerable Consul, and Mr. E. H. Slaughter, Post Consul. Other routine business was transacted.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, October 1, at 7:45 p. m. Lodge meets on first and second Friday nights.

Will Open Studio.

Mr. A. N. Jacob has leased a room opposite the Franklin Academy and will open a violin studio Monday, September 20. For terms apply to Mr. Jacob. Phone 348.

Mr. W. M. Wallace, of Vernon, Ala., has been spending the past several days here with his son, Mr. G. O. Wallace.

Mr. W. Breland's many friends regret to learn of his serious illness the past week.

Buys Pretty Home.

The beautiful Buder residence, located on North Highlands, was purchased yesterday by Mrs. Celeste Shattuck, the home being sold for a division of the estate.

Mr. Strauss Improving.

Mr. William Strauss, who was badly injured while diving in the Tombigbee river about two weeks ago, is steadily improving at the Columbus Hospital. His many friends hope to soon see him out again.

Beautiful Millinery Shown.

The Ideal Millinery Establishment, on Main street, held its fall opening last Tuesday and Wednesday, and many people called and inspected the large stock of beautiful and chic millinery. Miss Alice Ridings, who owns this business, is always courteous and obliging, and delights in catering to her trade.



—Lemon in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF I. I. & C. WILL BEGIN ON NEXT TUESDAY MORNING

There will be no Formal Exercises and Students will be Classified During the First of the Week.

ATTENDANCE THE COMING YEAR IS EXPECTED TO BE VERY LARGE

President H. L. Whitfield Feels Very Encouraging Over Outlook for the Coming Session.-----Only a few Changes in Faculty.-----Teachers to Hold Meeting Monday Afternoon.

The opening of the thirty-first annual session of the Mississippi Industrial Institute and College will take place next Tuesday morning, and everything is in readiness for the "girls in blue." A meeting of the college faculty will be held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

No formal opening will be held Tuesday, but the students will be classified throughout the day, and other preparations will be made Wednesday and Thursday. The students will start to reporting to their classes on Friday morning.

Prospects, according to President H. L. Whitfield, are very flattering for a large attendance, and there will probably be just as many students as the dormitories will accommodate.

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## FINAL REPORT IS MADE BY JURYMEN

VARIOUS MATTERS INVESTIGATED—FIND ONLY 12 TRUE BILLS.

COURT HAS NOT YET ADJOURNED

Several Cases Will be Tried First of this Week—Judge Carroll Presiding.

The first week of the fall term of circuit court being held in this county came to an end yesterday afternoon, and the second week will begin tomorrow morning.

The grand jury after being in session five days, made its final report Friday and was dismissed by Judge Thomas B. Carroll, who is presiding at this term. Eighteen cases were docketed, 122 witnesses were examined and 12 true bills were found.

An interesting case that will probably be brought up tomorrow morning is that of Seth A. Meek vs. the Western Union Telegraph Company. Mr. Meek claims that he never received a telegram sent him on June 18, inviting him to a house party at Tunica, Miss., and for this reason he filed suit through his uncle, Attorney W. C. Meek, against the telegraph company for \$1025. The Western Union claims that the message was delivered over the phone at night to someone at the office of the D. S. Pate Lumber Company, where Mr. Meek is employed. The young man, however, denies that he received the telegram. The Western Union will be represented by Hon. Octave Sykes, of Aberdeen.

Cases that have been disposed of since Thursday morning are as follows: Chas. H. Jones vs. Mobile & Ohio Railway, jury and verdict for plaintiff for \$200.

International Sugar and Feed Company vs. Claude C. Richardson and Jonathan Richardson, jury and verdict in favor of the defendant.

Bank of Sulligent v. T. L. Logan, et al, jury and verdict in favor of the defendant.

State vs. Henderson Hawkins, jury and verdict of not guilty.

State vs. Henderson Hawkins, pleaded guilty.

State vs. Zack Ivy, burglary, 90 days imprisonment in county jail and fined \$50 and costs.

State vs. C. E. Shackelford, pleaded guilty to assault and battery, and fined \$5 and costs.

At the Princess.

The attraction at the Princess for Monday is the World Film Corporation's latest feature production, "As Ye Sow," with the Broadway favorite, Alice Brady. It is a strong and appealing modern drama in five reels that tells of love and disappointment and final reckoning, and it forcibly brings to you the old Biblical quotation, "As ye sow so shall ye reap."

Miss Brady is a noted beauty of the stage and has been surrounded by an exceptional cast of players. The settings are all that could be asked for, from the rock strewn coast of Maine to the luxuriously furnished home of the millionaire. The admission for Monday is 5c and 10c.

For Paramount day, Tuesday, September 21, we offer the international artist, Rita Jolivet, with House Peters and Theodore Roberts in Eleanor Ingram's romantic drama "The Unfaithful." A big lavishly staged production that will please the eye as well as the mind, being the story of an American heiress who becomes a captive bride in a European castle, and of a love that wins over all. Produced by the famous Jesse Lasky Company. The admission is children 5c; adults, 15c.

Breaks Arm Cranking Car.

Mr. E. A. Blanks, the popular secretary of the Columbus Bottling Works, had the misfortune late yesterday afternoon to break his arm while making an effort to crank his automobile.

Pretty Millinery Opening.

The millinery opening at the Handikraft Shop, owned and so capably managed by Mrs. A. L. McGeorge, which was held Tuesday and Wednesday, was attended by large crowds of people, all of whom were delighted to find such stylish and up-to-date head gear. There were patterns to suit the most fastidious purchaser.

Mr. L. B. Divilbiss and Mr. Charles Dudley Divilbiss spent yesterday in West Point on business.

## GERMANS ADVANCE NEAR TWO CITIES

VON HINDENBURG STILL MAKES PROGRESS NEAR RIGA.

GREECE WILL REMAIN NEUTRAL

Effect of Prorogue of Czar Feared for its Military Effect in Russia.

London, Sept. 17.—Von Hindenburg's army is astride the Drinsk-Vilna railway and both towns are seriously threatened. The Russians doubtless will make an effort to hold Drinsk, which can offer strong resistance because of the swift Dvina river. Vilna is defended only by an army which can delay the German advance. The German center made slight advances east of Pinsk and the Russians continue their offensive in Galicia.

Greece apparently has decided to remain neutral and Rumania appears definitely on the side of the allies.

Troops on the Gallipoli peninsula are taking a rest, while only artillery engagements mark the fighting in the west.

Owing to the prorogation of the Duma, domestic affairs are occupying the attention of Russia. The effect of this incident on the situation is feared, as is indicated by the proclamation of General Ruzsky, the Russian commander in the north, calling upon workmen not to slacken their efforts to keep the army supplied with ammunition.

## FIFTY LOCAL CITIZENS MAY GO TO NASHVILLE

COLUMBUS EXPECTS TO SEND LARGE DELEGATION TO MEETING.

It is almost certain now that at least fifty local citizens will go to Nashville the coming week to attend a meeting of the Jackson Highway Association and to boost the route of the old Military road through this city. Several different routes for a national highway from Nashville to New Orleans have been proposed and the local delegation and about two hundred other boosters between this city and Hattiesburg will attend, and will put up a strong fight.

Those who expect to attend the convention are: Messrs. R. R. Banks, W. E. Kennedy, J. L. Gaston, Irvin Kaufman, George Senter, V. B. Imes, S. B. Street, Jr., John Williams, W. O. Pennington, C. L. Wood, T. J. Locke, Jr., Beverly Matthews, L. B. Divilbiss, Parker Reeves, W. C. Gunter, P. W. Maer, J. H. Brickell, J. S. Marx, Seth Meek, J. L. Cox, Louis Shull, R. M. Nickels, R. M. Waters, J. S. Heard, W. N. Etheridge, L. E. Lide, J. T. Sanford, J. W. Wright, T. J. Butler, S. B. Johnston, Dr. J. W. Lipscomb, Carroll Hackleman, S. M. Nash, W. H. Brooks, J. W. Steen, D. D. Stephenson, R. E. Cheatham, Jr., J. T. Searcy, C. B. Hardy, Howard King, Samuel Kaye, Brooks McGowan, L. G. Bridgeforth, Louis Walker, J. P. Woodward, Wm. Baldwin, F. R. Simms, Wm. Burris, D. S. Cox, Jr., C. W. Evans, Walter Swoope, T. L. Lawrence, J. B. Love, E. S. Moore, C. E. Betts, W. A. Love.

Rev. Slack Returns.

Rev. W. S. Slack and attractive daughter, Miss Carolyn Slack, returned to Columbus late yesterday afternoon after an extended trip to Panama. En route home they visited Havana, Cuba. They report their trip a delightful one.

Mr. Slack will conduct services at St. Paul's Episcopal church today. Holy Communion will be held at 7:30 o'clock this morning, Sunday school at 9:30, morning prayer and sermon at 11, and evensong at 4:30 o'clock.

Here Making Survey.

Civil Engineer E. R. Justice and a corp of nine men, are spending several days in Columbus in special car I. C. C., No. 29, making government valuation surveys of property belonging to the Southern Railway in Mississippi. After their work here they will visit towns along the line between this city and Greenville.

Ask for aluminum ware tickets when you buy at our store—they are valuable.

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